IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	pplication of)	Confirmation No.: 8464
	Sashikanth Chandrasekaran)	
Applica	ation No.: 10/759,894)	Group Art Unit: 2113
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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In reply to the first Office Action mailed January 24, 2007, the shortened statutory period for which runs until April 24, 2007, please reconsider the subject application in light of the amendments and remarks herein

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

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